QUESTION FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY
(but not taken up)

Old Age Pension Cases Pending in Bellary District

465. SRI B. E. RAMAIAH (Siruguppa).—

Will the Minister forFinance and Housing be pleased to state.

(*a*) the number of applications received by the Government for old age pension in Bellary District (Talukwise figures be furnished)

(*b*) the number of applicants granted the old age pension and the number of applications still pending disposal (talukwise figures be furnished)

(*c*) the reasons for not disposing the applications for the old age pension.

(*d*) the time required to dispose all pending applications?

SRI M. Y. GHORPADE (Minister for Finance and Housing) —

(*a*) The number of applications received for old age pension in Bellary District from 1st January 1974 to 31st December 1974 are as follows.—

1.	Bellary Taluk	1,148
2.	Siruguppa Taluk	373
3.	Sandur Taluk	91
4.	Hospet Taluk	362
5.	Hadagalli Taluk	151
6.	Harapanahalli Taluk	243
7.	Kudligi Taluk	328
8.	Hagaribommanahalli Taluk	32
		2,723

Number of applications pending as on 31st December 1973

Bellary sub-division	342
Hospet do	285
Total...	3,350

(b) The number of applicants granted old age pension from 1st January 1974 to 31st December 1974 are as follows

1.	Bellary Taluk	332
2.	Siruguppa taluk	200
3.	Sandur Taluk	47
4.	Hospet Taluk	175
5.	Hadagalli Taluk	66
6.	Harapanahalli Taluk	144
7.	Kudligi Taluk	252
8.	Hagaribommanahalli Taluk	40
	Total...	1,256

The number of applications pending disposal.—

1.	Bellary Taluk	369
2.	Siruguppa Taluk	128
3.	Sandur Taluk	14
4.	Hospet Taluk	221
5.	Hadagalli Taluk	77
6.	Harapanahalli Taluk	136
7.	Kudligi Taluk	114
8.	Hagaribommanahalli	3
9.	A. C. Hospet	39
	Total...	1,101

(c) The reasons for not disposing the pending applications for the old age pension are as follows.

1. The Revenue Inspecter concerned has to make spot enquiry with reference to the information mentioned in the application.

2. The Revenue Inspector has to record the statements of the applicant and of the respectable village officers of the village to prove the correctness of the claim.

3. Time involved in the personal enquiry about the eligibility of the applicant for old age pension.

4. In view of his multifarious duties, the Revenue Inspector has to plan his tours in his jurisdiction for the purpose of enquires which requires time.

5. Absence of the applicants at the time when the Revenue Inspector goes for enquiry at the adderss given by the applicants.

6. Change of residence and failure to intimate the change and incorrect address.

7. The Tahsildar has to personally verify the correctness of the age of the applicant.

8. Delay in the production of the Medical Certificate in cases where the Tahsildar feels a genuine doubt about the correct age of the applicant.

9. Increase in the number of applicants due to reduction in the age limit from 70 to 65 years in general and 65 and 60 years in cases of persons suffering from specified diseases and disabilities.

(*d*) There are standidg circular instructions issued by Government that all applications for old age pension should be dealt with on top priority basis and within a maximum seriod of three months Further with reference to the monthly progress reports, instructions have been issued to the Assistant Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner, Bellary District to ensure a quick settlement of old age pension cases. Special instructions to ensure expeditious disposal of the applications have also been issued.

Borewells in Villages of Bellary District

621. SRI H. LINGA REDDY (Kurugodu).—Will the Minister for Rural Development and Social Welfare be pleased to state.

(*a*) the number of villages in Bellary District, where open wells are in existence ;

(*b*) the number of Borewells proposed to be provided in each Taluk of Bellary District and in how many months they would be completed ?

SRI N. RACHAIAH (Minister for Community Development and Social Welfare).—

(*a*) 588

(*b*) Number of Borewells programmed in each taluk are as follows and borewells in all these villages will be provided during the next two years.

Name of Taluk	Borewells proposed
1. Bellary	84
2. Hospet	41
3. Sandur	61
4. Siruguppa	25
5. Mallapur	10
6. Kudligi	22
7. Harapanahally	64
8. Hadagali	1
Total ...	308